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In re application of: Pieter Cornelis LUNENBURG et al.

Appl. No.: (unknown) Group:

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For: DATA TRANSMISSION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

December 26, 2001

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

--5. (amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein each signal burst is encoded with one or more digital bits.--

--6. (amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein each signal burst contains one or more digital bits are encoded on the high frequency signal bursts using frequency modulation.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in the present application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

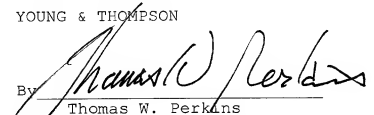
Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

YOUNG & THOMPSON

By 

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Attachments

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

5. The method according to claim 1~~or 4~~ wherein each signal burst is encoded with one or more digital bits.

6. The method according to claim 1~~or 4~~ wherein each signal burst contains one or more digital bits are encoded on the high frequency signal bursts using frequency modulation.